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WASHINGTON, D. C., SATURDAY DECEMBER 9 1898.

NO 15.

## ROBSTONE CHIT AND CHAT.

The News of the City Dished Up for The Bee Readers.

## PERSONAL POINTS POINTEDLY PUT.

Home News and Events Transpired Since our Last Issue—Other Matters Worthy of Careful Consideration.

Advertise in the BEE.

Frank Hall has closed up business. J. H. Smith has moved to his new office.

J. K. Roy is the sporting editor of the Bee.

The colored people in Mississippi are suffering.

Mr. J. A. Ross left for Norfolk, Va., Wednesday.

The reception of Mrs. Lillian Barry was largely attended.

The friends of policeman Terry are raising a fund for him.

Col. Wm. Murrill, of Jersey, had a political fight some time ago.

The new school house next to the Market school is almost completed.

Mr. Daniel Freeman has a fine collection of portraits in his art gallery.

Mrs. Young has opened a new business at the corner 10th and M Sts. n. w.

It is rumored that the Coteries will be tendered a complimentary reception.

Mr. Frank Bundy the secretary of the Howard Law school has made it a success.

Miss Derric and Mrs. Willis Duncan left for their home in Baltimore last Saturday.

Rev. Walter H. Brooks preached an eloquent sermon to a large congregation last Sabbath.

Dr. Alexander Cromwell, of St. Lukes church preached to a large house last Sabbath.

Mrs. Mary Church Terrell is one of the most refined and accomplished women in this city.

Rev. Robert Johnson has adopted a new and antique system of collecting money for his church.

The A. K. Manning Lodge, U. O. of M. F. will give a grand reception and give Friday evening Dec. 29th.

A club of gentlemen will return the complimentary reception given by the "Coterie Club", on Sunday.

The Second Baptist church, was largely attended on last Sabbath. Rev. Bishop Johnson delivered an able address.

Hon. H. C. C. A. two will leave for San Domingo next week. He has been employed by Mr. McKay to attend to business there for him.

Mr. J. O. Holmes who made a new addition to his house, nearly improves his looks. Mr. Holmes knows how to please the people.

Miss Jeannette E. Anderson and several friends are expecting to spend the holiday in Philadelphia, Pa., from whence they will return and receive a few years day.

The down town law office of W. C. Chase is situated at the corner of 8th and D Sts. n. w., No. 402, 5th floor where he can be found till 4 o'clock every day after which he will be found at 1109, I street, n. w., BEE office.

The memorial meeting at the Metropolitan Baptist church to the memory of the late Col. Geo. M. Arnold and Dr. J. C. Price was liberally attended on last Tuesday evening, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather.

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MANNINGS' LODGE.  
This popular organization of Odd Fellows will give their first grand reception and levee at the new Odd Fellows hall, 16th and 17th, n. w., Friday evening, Dec. 29. The objects of this lodge should not fail to attend as it will be one of the finest receptions of the season.

SPECIAL NOTICE.  
W. Calvin Chase, attorney and counsellor at law, has moved in his new town office, 402 5th and D streets, n. w., near the Courts, where he can be seen from 8 to 4, after which time he can be seen at his up town office, 1109 I street, n. w. All kinds of law business attended to with care.

## OPEN LETTER TO COMMISSIONER PARKER.

Col. M. M. Parker:—Indeed, it is with surprise that the District republicans read in the last issue of the Bee the forced resignation of the man who has claimed all along that he was solid and boasted of his influence with your honorable body. Why, sir, no one, except the BEE, thought for a moment that the boasted influence of the member of the National republican committee had dwindled down to the level of the s. If you could have heard him talk after the resignation of your humble servant was requested to make room for a "starving white republican," you would have concluded that the gentleman had a clench on the office from which he was so unceremoniously bounced.

Persons in ill health, especially in the government service, very seldom resign unless they are requested to do so.

Now Col. don't you think it is wrong to discharge every negro republican to make room for white offensive partisans? Poor old man ex Gov. Greeley had his head taken off without a moments notice.

Don't you think that colored republican property owners have as much right to hold a government job as white offensive republican partisans?

The District government is non partisan, Col., only when a white man is in question.

The colored man has been loyal to the party as well as to the government and why he should be so badly treated is a question of great discussion among the masses.

You have been a changed man since your elevation to the Commissionership.

You remind me of a man who was taken out of the kitchen and made master of ceremonies in a small society. He didn't know what his duties were. He thought he knew it all. His friends could not advise him without offering an insult.

Why are all the white republicans retained Col.? It is true that this will be a hard winter and the presumption is if any are to starve to death, they must be negro republicans who occupy government positions.

Are you aware that there are no colored inspectors in the Health department? and none but menials in the Fire department?

Perhaps your recent growth (two feet) in your position, if not your eye sight, I would suggest that you wear a pair of official eye glasses, made of the best glass to enable you to see. I would not advise you to get smoked glasses, because you may imagine that every person at whom you look will have the tint of color, which may deter you from appointing him.

Did you enjoy your Thanksgiving turkey Col.? I know you had a fine one. I enjoyed mine I assure you and while eating it I wondered to myself who the next republican victim would be.

There are times when officials fall in love with themselves. I don't want to believe it is your case, nor would I think for a moment that you would be guilty of such vanity.

Until my next, believe me to be Yours truly,  
THE EDITOR.

MINISTERIAL TIPS.

Rev. Wiseman is slow but sure. The Berean Baptist is one of the neatest.

Rev. Wm. Gray is in Kentucky doing well.

Rev. Bishop Johnson will probably build next spring.

The 16th Street Presbyterian is one of the swell churches.

The M street church is the largest Methodist Church in the city.

Dr. Alexander Crummell is a man of letters and learned in theology.

Rev. Robt. Johnson's church is the largest Baptist Church in the city.

The Second Baptist collects more money than many of the largest churches in town.

Rev. Dayson can be called the helping-hand in the ministry. He is generally sent to churches that are largely involved in debt, and before he leaves the church is put on a solid foundation.

## THEY SAY.

Mr. Rector makes a fine president. The Presidents message to Congress was not a surprise.

N gro republicans must go to make room for white ones.

Are there any more to resign on account of ill health?

Col J. W. Ross has no prejudice on account of color. A white man is just the same to him as a colored man.

Recorder Bruce is likely to remain until next spring.

President Cleveland admires the colored representative.

Prof. H. M. Brown is one of the finest educators in this country.

Mr. P. H. Dickson is one of the greatest hustlers in town.

Every colored person of note knows Mr. Dickson.

He is a valuable man to any institution.

Some man of money should start him in business.

The BEE is the peoples paper and a fearless advocate of their rights.

The colored bar should be placed upon a higher standard.

Public Printer Palmer is the negroes best friend.

President Cleveland is brave and conscientious.

He never makes a mistake in his appointment of judges.

The court is a dignified body.

The Philadelphia house is one of the best resorts in the city.

Mr. J. O. Holmes is to be congratulated on securing his license.

R. H. Keys has some of the finest houses in town.

Uncle Bob Brown and his black coat are center of attractions. Bob never forgets his friends.

One of the most enterprising men in the Eastern section of the city is Mr. W. H. Brooker.

Colored men should be united.

Unity of action is one of the best friends the negro can have.

Money is power and your defence.

Dr. Alexander Cromwell is one of the ablest divines in this country.

The colored people should employ one or two able counsels to assist the district attorney.

Let there be a meeting called for that purpose.

The Star was very interesting on Monday.

The Star knows how to be enterprising.

The Presidents message was printed in the London Times before any American paper had it.

The Star was the first American paper to publish it.

The President struck from the shoulder.

Let us work for our common good. Read the BEE if you want all the news.

The boys are still on the outs.

The two colored democratic associations have combined.

Ross and Astwood have united.

Astwood will be president of the combine and Ross will be chairman of the Executive committee.

Mr. Taylor cannot bulldoze Astwood.

Astwood is made of sterner stuff. Great men will represent this country in '96.

Mr. Taylor cannot go to Liberia. Matthews, of Albany, is the negroes friend.

The appointment of Matthews and Prof. W. L. Brown, the son of the late Bishop J. W. Brown, will harmonize the forces.

Matthews is a democrat from way back.

He never forsakes a friend. He is brave and honest. Both democratic organizations are for him.

Astwood is loyal to his friends.

Fight the enemy and not ourselves. The more you help your friends the less thanks you get for it.

Your friends will betray you. Recorder Bruce has made more appointments of negroes to office than any man in public life.

Let us have hope and faith in each other.

## HAVE YOU BOUGHT YOUR BLANKETS AND COMFORTS?

Now is the time, if you Hav'nt.

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W. CALVIN CHASE, Editor.

Let us have suffrage.

The President's message was a straight forward document.

Colored lawyers like politicians will cut each other if they can.

The people ought to petition this Congress to restore the elective franchise.

Suffrage was taken away from the people because too many negroes voted.

The President is not in a hurry to make changes in the district government.

The colored high school of this city is greatly in need of a head. Strange to say there is more body to the machine than there is sense in the head.

The people of this city should elect their own officers, and there is no reason why that the elective franchise should not be restored to the people.

No class of people in this country would submit to the insults that the people of this city receive. The idea of two civil and one Engineer commissioners dictating to over 200,000 people.

Prof. J. M. Langston never broke his silence as to his candidacy and entrance into the democratic party until after the election. In his letter to the Age he makes a poor defense and it seems as if he wants all the colored republicans to resign who are holding offices. By holding an office under Mr. Cleveland is no evidence that a man is a democrat.

## LET THE CITIZENS ACT.

Now that the members of the Metropolitan police force have decided to raise a fund to defend Officer Terry, who shot Willie Washington some few evenings ago, it becomes the duty of the citizens of this city to come together and raise a fund to employ additional counsel to assist the government in the prosecution of Terry.

Race pride is the watchword of the BEE.

## IS IT TRUE?

The present democratic administration has, to a large measure, made sour the contingent of the colored wing in its rank. The negroes are indignant and no doubt, will vent their spleen in some manner at the polls at the coming Presidential election.

Boys, take yer medicine resignedly, as Mr. Cleveland's other children don't believe much in "niggers holdin' office."—Texas Illuminator.

## THE HAWAIIAN QUESTION.

How any intelligent colored man can agree with Minister Stevens on the Hawaiian question is something the BEE cannot understand. The colored people must learn how to discard party sentiment and consider facts.

Because a Republican administration commits a wrong against a nation of people and a Democratic administration corrects that wrong does it go to reason that the negro should follow blindly into the blunder and wrong perpetrated by a Republican administration?

By no means should he endorse that wrong. Negroes must act and think for themselves; they must learn how to reason a wrong in a legal way before forming a conclusion on expert evidence.

## Through Cars to New Orleans.

Among the many important improvements in the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad train service is the addition of through Pullman Sleeping Cars from New York to New Orleans, via Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, and the famous Shenandoah Valley route, passing through Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga and Birmingham. The train leaves Baltimore, 10.07 p. m., and reaches Washington, 11.10 p. m., reaching Roanoke at 7.50 a. m., Knoxville, 3.52 p. m.; Chattanooga, 8.00 p. m.; Birmingham, 11.13 a. m., and New Orleans, 12.45 p. m.

This train is very handsomely appointed, being vestibuled throughout, and has dining car service New York to Chattanooga. At Washington a Pullman Sleeping Car, which runs through to Memphis, is added to the train.

12-9-3t.

## ROY'S SPORTING TALK.

Peter Jackson was holding the boards at the National Theatre in Philadelphia the week of Dec. 4th and as playing to uniformly large houses throughout. Who ever criticism we have seen of Peter's portrayal of the character of Uncle Tom has been favorable at all times, and in some cases minds less prejudiced pronounce him the equal of the best "Uncle Toms" of our day.

Geo. Dixon is doing his New England circuit with much success. Geo. is always popular and deserved so, and empty seats where he is billed to appear are as scarce as the needle in the proverbial haystack. I earnestly hope that the outcome of present negotiations between Dixon and Plimmer will result satisfactorily to every one and will result in bringing these two sturdy little giant together in decisive combat. George has no more ardent admirer of his peerless ability than I, but I am compelled to dissent from the opinion proclaimed so loudly that their recent meeting was a "fake," and that Dixon didn't try Dixon I am convinced when he meets Plimmer at 114 pounds will find a foe man worthy of his steel and they will furnish such a battle at their weights as has not yet been seen.

Harvard is bemoaning the loss of the services of her most capable football contingent, among whom is the redoubtable center, Lewis. The college may in the whirligig of time replace Newell, action, et al, but it is extremely doubtful if contemporary football will furnish the equal of the gallant young colored man who piloted Harvard's eleven to victory against U. of P. Thanksgiving day. Those of us who love our race, and who believe in its ultimate triumph over the priggish opposition that now confronts it will find much needed and welcome encouragement in the glorious record made by this young man. His conduct as to endeavor him to his companions, who idolize him, and to bring from his enemies eulogiums of praise. Oh! that we had more of the same kind.

## NEWS OF INTEREST.

A novel idea is the decoration of the cock dial American made clocks are both good and cheap, so it is easy to buy a clock and an hour's work by anyone with artistic ability will transform this necessity into a beautiful ornament. A professional decorator, Frances E. Fryatt, painted her own clock-face with forget-me-nots to serve as an ever present reminder to wind it up.

Bridesmaids' souvenirs are quite a feature of the modern bachelorette party. His conduct as to endeavor him to his companions, who idolize him, and to bring from his enemies eulogiums of praise. Oh! that we had more of the same kind.

Women are employed as tenders at railroads in England, and have been found thoroughly trustworthy. Not an accident has occurred since the women were installed to their unique office.

Fifteen thousand women typewriters are employed in a small region in the city of New York, between Worth Street and the Battery, where many of the large wholesale houses are situated.

## FRAUDULENT REAL ESTATE DEAL.

For some time there has been some very crooked business going on among certain money sharks and ten per cent. brokers.

The latest one of these fraudulent transactions is one in which several ten per cent. sharks are interested and which will show that several men, after they had been warned not to put their fraudulent deal upon the market, did so regardless of the consequences, and in a few days some one will be struck. The old man against whose property the morge is laid knows nothing of the transfer and he did not even sign any paper or notes making a transfer of his property and so informed the man who called to see him with the fraudulent paper. Notwithstanding the fact that it was known to the party who negotiated the loan that the whole thing was crooked, he borrowed one hundred dollars on the deed of trust for eleven hundred dollars.

## BERGEN STAR CONCERTS.

At Nineteenth Street Baptist church, Rev. Walter Brooks, Pastor, Monday evening, January 18th. At Metropolitan Baptist church, Rev. R. Johnson, Pastor, Tuesday evening January 18th. Artists: Flora Batson, Queen of Song, the real Patti of her race; W. I. Powell, Philadelphia's great Baritone and King of Fun; Mr. R. Henri, Strange, Prince of Elocutionists and other stars yet to be announced. Queens, Kings and Princes will gladden all hearts. Mirth and melody will gladden all hearts. And hard times shall not prevent, for everybody may come at 35 cents admission. For terms and date address manager J. G. Bergen, Philadelphia Pa.

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## THEY SAY.

The Union League directory will be out soon.

President Hillier is a wide awake man.

He believes in race unity. There should be more enterprising men among us.

Do you want to succeed, if so unite our forces.

The success of all enterprises is unity of action.

Be kind to your friends. Trouble never comes single handed.

If we had no trouble prosperity would not be appreciated.

Prosperity makes a fool of some people.

Beware of the man who has always a secret to tell. He is a dangerous man.

There was a great demand for the BEE last week.

## THE NEW COMBINE.

Ross and Astwood Unite. For some time there has been a political division between the two colored Democratic organizations in this city, one represented by Hon. H. C. C. Astwood and the other by Mr. James Ross, of Iowa. The recent visit of Mr. James C. Matthews of Albany, to this city a few days ago had something to do with the consolidation and harmony of the two political organizations.

Mr. Matthews is of the opinion that the only way to be successful is to be united.

Mr. Astwood is to be the president and Mr. Ross chairman of the executive committee.

## Improved Service to Cincinnati and St. Louis.

The Baltimore and Ohio Southwestern Limited, leaving Washington, D. C., 3:30 p. m., and fast Express, leaving at 1:30 a. m., for Cincinnati and St. Louis, are now equipped with a complete dining car service, built expressly for these trains by the Pullman Company. Pullman dining cars are also attached to Royal Blue Line trains leaving 10:00 a. m. and 5:00 p. m. week days, and 8:00 a. m., 12:00 noon and 5:00 p. m. Sundays, for Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York. 12-1-2t.

## Reduced Rates for the Holidays.

In pursuance of its usual liberal policy, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company announces that excursion tickets will be sold between all stations on its lines east of the Ohio river during the Christmas and New Year holidays at reduced rates. The tickets will be sold for all trains December 23, 24, 25, 30, 31 and January 1, and will be valid for the return journey on all trains until January 3rd inclusive.

## Excursion to Baltimore.

The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad will sell round trip tickets for all trains, including the 45 minute flyer, leaving Washington for Baltimore Saturday, December 9, valid for return trip until the following Monday inclusive, at \$1.25.

## Reduced Rates to Baltimore.

Saturday, December 9, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad will sell round trip tickets for all trains leaving Washington, Baltimore and Ohio depot, for Baltimore at \$1.25. Good three days.

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When the contemplated additions and improvements are completed the yard will be the most complete in existence, and a growth means money for the mechanics and laborers of Philadelphia.

Along the east line of Richmond street, as it will be when that thoroughfare is widened for the accommodation of the railroad companies' tracks, the big new foundry building is being erected. It already occupies an entire square, from Ball to York street, and is to be extended eastward along the latter street to Beach. The old Morris mill, which adjoins the new foundry, covers the balance of the square and will be utilized as the machine shop. Both here and abroad expensive machinery of the most improved type is being built and will be ready for use when the buildings are prepared for its reception. With this, much of the work done heretofore at the various mills throughout the country will be done at the yards.

In the foundry will be the largest casting pit in the country, and all of the immense steel forgings for the engines and all of the great castings necessary can readily be made. Just how far the firm will carry the work of perfecting their plant is not yet definitely known. Additions to the plan at first proposed are being constantly determined upon, and the limit will probably only be reached when every inch of available property is utilized.

The railroad companies are rapidly preparing to transfer their tracks from Beach to Richmond street, and this work will soon be commenced. All of the property necessary for the widening of the latter street has been secured, with the exception of one small place. The tracks to the shipyards will be run from Richmond street, just south of the present line of Ball street.

Henry W. Cramp says that the company will soon be in a position to push the work on hand rapidly ahead. There are at present five of the big ships for the American line under contract, besides the battleship Iowa and the cruiser Brooklyn, enough to make it necessary for the entire yard to be called into use. With the exception of the armor plating for warships Mr. Cramp says the firm will be ready to supply about everything needed. This would also be made if sufficient quantities of it were needed to keep a plant for its manufacture running.—Philadelphia Record.

## Better Than Ham.

Hog and hominy is the popular dish in some portions of the South, just as pork and beans delight the palate of the New Englanders, and catfish and waffles appeal to the taste of Philadelphians. How dearly a Virginian loves ham may be inferred by the following conversation, reported by a homecoming commercial traveler:

While riding from an interior town in the stage, he fell into conversation with the driver. The talk finally turned upon hunting, the driver informing his fare that the woods thereabout abounded in game. Passing a stream, the traveler asked if it contained fish.

"Mostly trout," was the reply. "What kind?" said the driver. "All these mountain streams are full of trout."

"They must be fine eating," was the next remark.

"Fine eating," exclaimed the driver. "Well, I should say so. You just go up to the mountain, catch half a dozen trout, about ten or twelve inches long, clean 'em without washing 'em, rub in some salt, roll 'em in 'Injun meal and bake 'em in the ashes. Good eatin'! Why, stranger, they beat ham!"—New York Herald.

## Wallpaper Charley.

"An all-around no good" is what the Arizonians say of Wallpaper Charley, and his own copper-skinned tribesmen, in compliment to his duplicity, say, "his tongue is forked." This chief of the Wallapai Apaches recently wrote a touching letter to President Cleveland telling the woes of his tribe and asking for rations. One of the business methods of this astute and pre-eminently lazy Indian is the precise line followed by Dickens's Noah Claypole and his faithful Charlotte. It is to persuade a stranger ignorant of the law to buy whiskey for him and then have his benefactor arrested for giving whiskey to an Indian. His own experience of the law includes a sojourn at Yuma Penitentiary, and in various Indian troubles of the past he has the reputation of having impartially betrayed both the whites and his own people.

## Chauncey on the Midway.

"Who is that fine-looking man?" asked the manager of the ostrich farm as a stately looking fellow strode west on Midway.

"Why, that's Chauncey Dewey," replied a man in a plug hat at the doorway.

"Who's Dewey?"

"Orator."

"Talk well?"

"Best in the world."

"What's his price?"

"For what?"

"Talking."

"He has none."

"Then he's just the man we are looking for. Flag him and we'll give him a job on this block."—Chicago Record.

## Hunting on a Bicycle.

James Davis is probably the first person who ever went deer hunting on a bicycle. He was visiting Idanha last week and, as the country there is comparatively smooth and free from underbrush, he borrowed a ride from a gentleman and went out for a ride. The inflated tire on his wheel allowed of his travelling swiftly and noiselessly over the ground, strewn with pine needles, and before he pedaled many miles he came upon an unsuspecting deer quietly browsing just ahead of him. The result was that he killed the deer and returned to the hotel with it slung over his shoulders.—Salem (Ore.) Independent.

Everybody would be perfect if everybody else thought so.

## EARTH WORMS.

The Immense Population That Lives Underground.

The worms know well that rapid heaving of the soil which betokens the approach of a mole to their innocent burrows, and the moment they feel it rush wildly to the surface, prepared rather to face the worst than lack of blackbird may bring upon them than to await the onslaught of their most ruthless and bloodthirsty enemy. If you dig a pointed stick into the ground and shake the earth a little by moving it from side to side you will find dozens of worms hurry up to the surface at once, under the mistaken impression mole's doing. For the senses of earth worms are extremely keen and their perception of danger most acute and vivid.

A person unaccustomed to the ways of worms might wonder that enough of them could be found in the comparatively small area of land which each mole taboos or occupies as his own to satisfy the needs of so voracious a creature. But, as a matter of fact, the worm population of England is something incredibly high, to be numbered by the millions of millions. Every field on the downs is far more thickly populated underground than London is on the surface; every meadow is as dense with teeming thousands of worms as Lancashire is with men or an anthill with embezzlers. The soil swarms with life.

Vineyard kills worms, and where a barrel of vinegar has been accidentally spilled upon the ground the surface is sometimes positively covered before long by a thick layer of wriggling creatures which have come up to die, as is the wont of their species. The abundance of worms is the cause of the numbers and hunters. Every mole eats daily millions of worms, and yet every field supports a whole village of them.

It is the entire drama of nature on a small scale underground—remorseless, unfeeling as ever. Worms exist, and exist in thousands, because there are myriads and myriads of dead leaves for them to live upon. Almost every dead leaf that falls from tree or shrub or weed or herb, except in autumn (when the supply all at once increases) is devoured by worms, and carry underground and bury it, or devour it with ceaseless industry. In doing so they create and keep up the layer of vegetable mold on the surface of the earth which alone makes plant life, and especially cultivation, possible.

Cultivated areas are, therefore, those where worms are most abundant. So far as they themselves are concerned, however, the worms eat only for their own appetites' sake and never suspect that the friends of lordly man, whose fields and crops they thus unconsciously fertilize.—Cornhill Magazine.

## The Awful Pause.

"It is quite fatal to appear stupid and uninterested when you are out in society, you know," said a pretty girl to an amused listener to her prattle. "I have observed a capital recipe against looking dull which I will give you gratis. At Mrs. A's the other day I found myself at a big luncheon, with a lot of older people present, and on taking our places at the table I was dismayed to find that one of my neighbors was an elderly woman, and a total stranger, who turned her shoulders to me during a greater part of the repast, and the other was Miss B, who is a dear girl, but has not an idea in her head. After the first few minutes had passed 'in total silence' a bright idea struck me. 'Milly,' I said, 'let's count; we will look just as if we were talking, and it's ever so much easier. When I leave off you begin.' And I began in my most vivacious manner, 'one, two, three, four, five, six, seven'—then I paused, and Miss B, showing her little white teeth with a bona fide merriment, went on, 'Eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve, thirteen, fourteen, fifteen,' and we both ended with a burst of genuine laughter.

"What a good time those girls are having!" I heard our vis-a-vis saying to her neighbor, rather indignantly, I thought. "I wonder what she is talking about."—Chicago Journal.

## The Genesis of Kissing.

Prof. Lombroso, in the Nouvelle Revue, discusses somewhat learnedly the origin of kissing, which he declares was first suggested by a mother, and is entirely maternal action, and not in any way peculiar to lovers. Homer, he points out, never mentions a kiss, except when speaking of the embrace of a father and son; Hector, in his scene with Andromache, does not kiss her, but squeezes her hand, and we find a kiss mentioned apropos of Venus and Mars, Ulysses and Calypso, or Ulysses and Circe. In the old Indian literature no mention is made of anything but the maternal embrace, but in the modern Hindu poems twelve kinds of kisses are registered.

## Uses of Soapstone.

The Chinese, in utilizing soapstone, which is found in their country in large quantities, make of it trays for pens, slabs for rubbing ink, flower vases, incense boxes, sandal wood boxes, flower baskets, candlesticks, chess men, bowls, and lamps, all sorts of emblems, animals, and the idols which the disciples of Confucius revere with so much fervor.—Hardware.</







## THIS WEEK'S NEWS.

A Summary of Current Events—The World's Doings for the Past Six Days Gathered and Condensed for Our Readers.

### General.

The Pope's health is unusually good. Embroiderers' Guilds received ten years in State prison.

Prof. Tyndall, the famous English scientist, is dead.

The yellow fever quarantine has been raised at Brunswick, Ga.

Murderer Delino was electrocuted at Sing Sing on Monday.

Five persons were poisoned by eating oysters at Fort Wayne, Ind.

King Humbert and Queen Margherita were publicly hissed at Rome.

Andrianoff, who murdered the Mayor of Moscow last March, has been declared insane.

Rev. and Mrs. John Alden celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary at Providence, R. I.

Brazilian insurgents in Rio Grande do Sul defeated Government forces and took 1,000 prisoners.

Secretary Lamont denies the story that he and President Cleveland are interested in wood pulp.

Michael Hennessy, of Gaylordsville, Conn., is charged with fatally burning his wife by holding her in a fireplace.

Sir John Thompson, Premier of Canada, does not see any advantage to Canada in the new Wilson tariff bill.

The brig John D. Spreckels, at San Francisco, eleven days from Hawaii, reports no change in Hawaiian affairs.

Mello is said to have left Rio with some of his best vessels to intercept the vessels Peixoto bought in America.

The Pennsylvania Company has secured the Toledo, Peoria and Western Railroad, which gives it a new outlet to the lakes.

John Fehn, of Reading, Pa., issued cards for his daughter's wedding Monday, but she eloped and is married to another fellow.

It is said that the revenue cutter Corwin will leave San Francisco soon for Honolulu with a special messenger of the State Department.

A tall, dark man, wearing an ulster with a turned-up high collar, is busy clipping the hair of girls and young women uptown, New York.

Ex-Minister John L. Stevens has published a reply to Commissioner Blount on the Hawaiian question, charging the latter with misrepresentation.

President Patton, of Princeton College, expresses his approval of football, and denies that the game is brutal as represented by the press.

The trial of Prendergast, the assassin of Mayor Harrison, began Monday in Chicago. It is expected that it will require two weeks to secure a jury.

The wife of Chief Burgess Body, of Orwigsburg, Pa., made a desperate attempt to commit suicide by throwing herself in the rapids at Niagara Falls.

The Secretaries of War and Navy have been appealed to prevent the football game between the West Point and Annapolis Cadets, but they will not interfere.

Capt. Devery, of the Eleventh Police Precinct, New York, has been indicted by the Grand Jury, on complaint of Dr. Parkhurst, for not suppressing disorderly houses.

Daily has had another financial shock. The Credit Mobilier, one of the strongest banks in that country, has asked for an extension of time to meet its obligations.

Fifty college students arrested by the New York police for disorder on Thanksgiving Day were in most cases discharged with a reprimand. A few were fined \$5 each.

Governor Altgeld, of Illinois, says he is opposed to capital punishment, but refuses to commute sentences, on the ground that the law of the State provides that punishment.

Gov. Lewelling, of Kansas, instructs the police boards of that State that the law under which vagrants are compelled to work on public highways and rock piles is unconstitutional.

The State Boards of Arbitration of New York and New Jersey, the leaders of the Lehigh strike and President Wilbur are at Bethlehem, Pa., the arbitrators trying to settle the trouble.

Mrs. James Roosevelt Roosevelt's will leaves the bulk of her \$7,000,000 estate to her children, share and share alike, and the residue to her husband.

She was a daughter of William Astor.

The Wells Fargo Express Company pays the Southern Pacific Railway Company a bonus of \$1,700,000 and 40 per cent. of its California receipts for a twenty-one-year contract for California traffic.

A fine statue of Roscoe Conkling, by sculptor J. O. A. Ward, has been placed in Madison Square, New York.

Levi P. Morton, C. A. Seward, C. P. Huntington, Henry Villard, August Belmont and other prominent citizens raised the fund.

Thousands struggled to gain admittance to the exhibition of the prize winning objects of the World's Fair on the opening day at the Central Palace, New York. It is estimated that the total value of the exhibits in all the departments is \$36,000,000.

Gen. Martinez Campos telegraphs from Meilla that his forces have begun rebuilding Fort Guadalupe, work on which led to the first attack of the Moors. The General says if the Moors interfere he will attack them from the front and upon the left flank.

A cholera expert who was sent to Constantinople by the French Government at the request of the Sultan, to combat the plague, was attacked with the disease Tuesday and died within a few hours. There are still from forty to fifty cases a day in that city.

The two last important football games of the season were between Yale and Princeton and Harvard and Princeton. Princeton defeated Yale by a score of 6 to 0, giving Princeton the college football championship. Harvard defeated the University of Pennsylvania by a score of 26 to 4.

"Boss" John Y. McKane, of Gravesend, L. I., has put in his reply in the contempt proceedings against him. He made a sweeping denial of all charges. A sensation was created by McKane introducing as witnesses about a dozen of the special officers sent to Gravesend by Mr. Gaynor, who testified that they had no special instructions and were all drunk and disorderly.

## BALLS FROM THE SKY.

An Indian Legend of a Shower of Meteoric Stones.

The Sioux Indians have a legend that is of interest now, telling as it does how an opposing army was put to flight by a shower of meteoric stones. The legend also explains a layer of stones found on the shores of the Cannon Ball River. This river is one of the many streams of the Northwest that join to make the Big Muddy, and flows near the Standing Rock Agency. Along this stream, at a distance of four or five miles from its mouth, may be found hundreds and thousands of stones of all sizes. There is nothing extraordinary in this, the reader may think, but the extraordinary part is not in the presence of the stones, but in their shape and weight. Their sizes range from a marble to that of globes three feet in diameter. This is the legend that accounts for the presence of the stones:

Many years ago, when in Indian lore may mean fifty or a thousand years, the Sioux Indians ranged supreme all the Great Waters from its head to its mouth. A mighty nation, the Sioux, inhabited the land to the west of the Sioux possessions, and between the two there was constant warfare. The Sioux were the most powerful in point of numbers, but the superior generalship of the Sioux more than overbalanced this, and heretofore the war had been a drawn affair. As time passed, however, the Sioux became more and more aggressive, and not a week passed without great slaughter on both sides. Each day saw the numbers of the Sioux decreasing, until at last the old chiefs realized that their nation was dwindling away, and would eventually become a part of the victorious Sioux. One day the Sioux gathered in force, and the Sioux tribe felt this was to be the last of their race. Then appeared Red Dog, the Medicine Man. A wave of his long, bony arm stilled the crowd, and he spoke:

"Brethren, the Sioux have reinforced their already powerful army. Some of our most trusted warriors are among them. They have proven themselves traitors to the blood that binds them to the Sioux. They have betrayed us and doomed us to die. The Sioux will swoop down upon us and destroy everything in reach. Death and destruction will mark their path. Our only hope now is in the intervention of the Manitou, and I will give libations that he may help us in the hour of need. Our only safety now is in flight to the river. When the battle comes on, if the good Manitou does not save us, then it is best to kill ourselves, and when the time comes that meat death to all that were spoken. Mind his words."

Red Dog's prophetic words filled the warriors with gloom, and they began to prepare for their flight to the river. Once on the bank, further flight was impossible, and preparations for battle were made. Slung loosely in their war songs, the Sioux dashed forward, and arrows and spears fell thick and fast among the Sioux. There was no hope and Red Dog was just about to give the signal for the members of the band to kill themselves, when there appeared an ominous gathering in the sky. The heavens assumed a greenish hue, a few drops of rain fell, and then there came something harder. Pebbles began dashing down on the fighting Indians, and the pebbles turned to larger stones until they assumed a size that meant death to all that were struck. Down poured the cannon balls of heaven upon the Sioux, but, wonderful to relate, not one of the Sioux was hit by the missiles from the sky.

From that day the Sioux were unmolested by the other tribes, and the round stones that are found in abundance along the Cannon Ball River are the relics of the day when the Manitou answered the prayers of Red Dog. This is the legend.—Chicago Daily Tribune.

Governor Flower on Good Roads.

In his speech to the farmers at the Orleans County Fair grounds, Governor Flower confined his remarks mainly to a discussion of public highways. The farmer, the Governor thought, was the chief beneficiary of good roads, and yet it was a fact that he was easily scared when the question of taxing him for road purposes was broached. New York State spends \$3,000,000 a year in money and labor for road improvement, and yet results are very unsatisfactory. This is an average of \$50,000 for each county. That amount of money scientifically expended each year would build over seven miles of good macadam road. Or, if the county preferred to build roads that amount—less than that amount—expended in interest on bonds—would provide money to build 140 miles of macadam.

"Every farmer knows," said the Governor, "that bad roads sometimes keep him from town when prices of grain are high. Every farmer knows how much larger a load his team would pull if the roads were hard and smooth. Every farmer knows what a considerable item in his annual expenses is the repair of wagons and harness. Every farmer knows how much more it costs to keep four horses instead of one or two, as he might with equal service with a system of good roads. Every farmer knows that his farm would increase in value if by good highways it could be brought into speedy communication with village or city. These things our farmers know, and they know that the sum of these pecuniary advantages in favor of good roads would vastly outweigh the cost of procuring them."

The Governor predicted that the time would come when automatic vehicles would be used for transporting produce. Then good roads would be absolutely essential. Why not issue bonds now and let the coming generations, who will enjoy the good roads, help to pay the principal and interest? The Governor demonstrated by statistics that it would pay Orleans County to issue \$420,000 in bonds for road improvement purposes.

Correct Posing.

"What part of speech is kiss?" asked a teacher at Vassar College.

"A conjunction," replied one of the smart girls.

"Wrong," said the teacher severely; "next girl."

"A noun," put in a demure maiden.

"What kind of a noun?" continued the preceptor.

"Well—it is both common and proper," answered the shy girl, and she was promoted to the head of her class.—Vogue.

## ON TO FORT SILL.

The Choctaw Indian Territory Reservations Soon to be Opened.

After the Cherokee strip, the Fort Sill country. People have quite generally got the idea that the strip affords the last of the big openings of Indian Territory reservations. This is a mistake, writes a Washington correspondent of the St. Louis Democrat. The Fort Sill country is yet to be divided. It is a far richer prize for the home-seeker, by all accounts, than the strip. In round number of acres the Cherokee strip looks more imposing. But the western third contains wastes of sand hills. The western half of the strip is fit for little else than grazing. The Fort Sill country is a different. The proportion of the farming land is much greater. Prospectors who have roamed over the Fort Sill country since the Comanches became quiet enough not to be troublesome say it is a region that surpasses Oklahoma and the best of the strip. The Fort Sill country lies in the extreme part of the Indian Territory. It borders on Red River. 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